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**PRICE LIST**

**OF**

**Collegeville**

**Greenhouses.**

**ESTABLISHED 1877.**

**HORACE RIMBY,**

**Proprietor.**

## PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

The most essential point in plant culture is to secure good strong plants. With the knowledge of this truth comes the demand for our plants that are well-known for their vigorous growth. Our prices are not the lowest, as we do not attempt to compete with low priced grades, that never make any friends, but are as low as it is possible to grow PLANTS OF UNSURPASSED QUALITY. We give place in this price list, only, to plants and seeds of established merit, describe them honestly, and send them out in such a condition that they will grow for you and please you. We warrant all plants and seeds to be true to name.

These quotations are made subject to crop failures and to goods being unsold on receipt of order.

SEND ORDERS EARLY. Don't wait until the last of the season, when stocks are broken.

If plants are wanted by mail, always send sufficient money to cover postage.

We thank our friends for their liberal patronage during the past year, and assure them that all orders entrusted to us will receive our most careful attention.

If anything, not catalogued here, is wanted, write us at once, and if not in stock, we will procure the same at market price.

Our Greenhouses are located on Main Street and 7th Avenue. Trolley cars from Norristown to Collegeville pass our greenhouses; cars run every half hour. Only 7 minutes walk from the Perkiomen Railroad, Collegeville depot.

# HORACE RIMBY.

Seedsman, Florist and Vegetable Plant Grower,

COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

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## TERMS: CASH WITH THE ORDER.

Remit by P. O. Order, U. S. Express Order, or Registered Letter.

No charge for packing and delivering at depot.

Plants can be shipped by freight safely, after April, and money saved on excessive express (U. S.) charges.

No plants, etc., sent C. O. D.

We are not allowed to forward small packages by U. S. Parcel Express. So when advisable, all orders will be shipped by freight, unless advised to the contrary.

We are human and mistakes will occur. Should a mistake be made, we would be pleased to have our customers notify us at once, and we will cheerfully rectify the same.

If this price list does not interest you, please hand it to some lover of plants and oblige us.

# DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF VEGETABLE SEEDS FOR THIS SECTION.

The **Seeds** offered below are of the very **best quality** and the **prices** quoted are as **low** as what Good Seeds can be bought for. The crop of Peas, Beans and Sweet Corn this year is very short. There is **no economy** in buying **cheap seeds**. Sensible planters are realizing that in seeds especially, "The best is the cheapest." Poor seeds are dear at any price.

## Bush Beans, Green Pods.

✓ **Burpee's Stringless Green Pod.** The only stringless green pod Bush Bean in cultivation. Very early.

Pkt., 10c.; Pt., 20c.; qt., 35c.

## Bush Beans, Wax Pods.

✓ **Wardwell's Kidney Wax.** Pods long, flat, yellow wax; seeds white.

✓ **Improved Golden Wax.** Thirty-five days, pods flat, showy; a productive sort.

½ pt., 10c.; 1 pt., 20c.; 1 qt., 35c.

## Bush Lima Beans.

✓ **Burpee's Bush Lima.** A true bush form of Large White Lima, requires no poles. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 20c.

## Pole Beans.

✓ **Rimby's Improved Large Lima.** An early and very prolific bearer. The beans are very large and of superb flavor. The fruit sets in clusters of four and five, with four to six beans in a pod. This is one of the best Limas either green or dry. ½ pt., 10c.; 1 qt. 40c.

✓ **King of the Garden Lima.** More prolific than the ordinary Lima, bearing pods five to six inches long, in clusters of four and five, with five to six beans in a pod. ½ pt., 10c.; 1 qt., 40c.

✓ **Golden Cluster.** The pods are a beautiful golden yellow color and of large size,

averaging from seven to eight inches long, and three-fourths of an inch in width. Although the pods are quite flat, they are fleshy, absolutely stringless and very brittle, while their flavor is delicious. ½ pt., 15c.

✓ **Sunshine Wax.** Large, handsome, yellow pods; stringless and of fine quality. ½ pt., 15c.

If ordered by mail, add 8c. per pint and 15c. per quart, for postage.

## Table Beets.

✓ **Eclipse.** A half-round, extra early, red variety; most excellent.

✓ **Edmund's Blood Red.** Deep blood flesh, oval in form.

✓ **Long Blood Red.** Deep red flesh, large root, grows all underground.

✓ **Half-Long Blood Red.** Very smooth skin, fine form; dark blood.

## Cabbage.

For varieties and descriptions see cabbage, under Vegetable Plants.

## Carrots.

✓ **Half-Long Coreless.** Coreless, or same texture throughout, color orange; an excellent sort.

## Celery.

For varieties and descriptions see Celery, under Vegetable Plants.

## Cucumbers.

✓ **Short Prolific Pickle.** Vine very compact, picking 50 days from planting; very productive.

✓ **Jersey Pickle.** Productive standard sort for salting as it holds its color better than most others.

✓ **Early White Spine.** Good size, solid, holding its green color, fitting it for long shipments.

— **Emerald.** A new and most excellent rich green variety.

✓ **Gherkin or Burr.** Used for pickling only; fruit oval, larger than a walnut, covered with spines.

## Corn==Table Sorts.

✓ **Early Crosby.** Seventy days; a very reliable early sort.

— **Mammoth White Corey.** A large development of the White Corey type. Very early for its size. An acquisition.

✓ **Country Gentleman.** Very productive, grain very small, like Shoe Peg.

✓ **Landreth.** Fit for table seventy-five days from germination, exceedingly productive and better than any preceding, averaging 3 ears to the stalk.

✓ **Evergreen.** (Stowell's.) 82 days. Productive, always a standard.

½ pt., 8c.; 1 pt., 12c.; 1 qt., 20c.

If ordered by mail, add 8c. per pt., 15c. per qt., for postage.

## Egg Plant.

✓ **Landreth's Thornless Round Purple.** This often reaches a weight of twelve pounds. It is nearly round, and the vine is thornless.

## Endive.

✓ **White Curled.** More delicate than the green curled, but requires bleaching.

— **Green Curled.** An improvement on the old Green Curled variety.

**Giant Fringed.** (Oyster Endive). A strong growing variety with a large white heart and broad stems; good for fall and winter.

## Herbs.

**Marjoram, Sweet.** Leaves used in flavoring.

**Sage.** Used in flavoring kitchen preparations.

**Thyme.** The young leaves are used for soup, dressing and sauce.

## Lettuce.

✓ **Early Curled Silesian.** No head, loose leaves, golden yellow.

✓ **Speckled Dutch Butterhead.** A long standing white heading variety.

✓ **Bloomsdale Early Summer.** Yellow leaves, always heading, slow to shoot, a most superior sort.

✓ **Bloomsdale Butter.** A hardy dark green leaved heading sort, late.

✓ **Big Boston.** A fine strain for forcing or open ground; very large, solid heads.

— **Early Cabbage or White Butter.** A favorite for sowing in the spring or fall, nearly hardy, requires only a slight protection; produces fine well-formed heads.

✓ **Mitchell's "All Right" Spring and Autumn.** Without doubt one of the very best smooth varieties. We recommend this variety for every garden. Produces solid, large heads of excellent flavor.

## Watermelon.

✓ **Dixie.** A large, chunky, early variety.

✓ **Arkansas Traveler.** Form long, almost black with lighter stripes, rind thin, flesh a brilliant scarlet, crystalline, melting, sugary.

✓ **Boss.** Black skin, form long, heavy, flavor unexcelled, flesh solid, brilliant scarlet, crystalline, melting.

✓ **Long Light Icing.** A good cropper, heavy, attractive and very desirable in quality.

✓ **Bradford.** Long, color dark, with darker wavy bands, flesh melting and of excellent flavor.

## Cantaloupe.

✓ **Extra Early Cape May.** Early, good size, roundish, deeply ribbed; quality excellent.

✓ **Miller Cream or Osage.** A remarkably good variety, of large size and delicious flavor, flesh rich salmon, very thick and solid.

✓ **Rocky Ford.** One of the best early melons in existence for market gardens and shippers, as well as for the home garden.

✓ **Emerald Gem.** Small, early, productive; sweet salmon flesh.

## Onion.

✓ **Early Red.** Broad, flat, deep red, very early.

✓ **Silverskin.** An early flat sort, long cultivated at Philadelphia.

✓ **Yellow Globe Denvers.** Straw color, long keeping; oval in form, solid.

## Parsley.

✓ **Emerald Gem.** Deep green in color, double curled, short jointed and tufted.

## Parsnip.

✓ **Bloomsdale.** Best bred and handsomest to be found, a broad shouldered half-long heavy.

## Peas.

✓ **Landreth's Extra Early.** The earliest pea in cultivation and the best flavored, maturing in about 48 to 50 days from germination.

✓ **Premium Gem.** A strong growing form of Little Gem.

✓ **Horsford's Market Garden.** A prolific and continuous producer of pods over average size. Desirable for a private garden.

✓ **Everbearing.** A good pea for summer and autumn use, pods 4 inches long, and contain 6 to 8 peas of rich flavor; very sweet and tender; 2 feet.

✓ **Pride of the Market.** A round, blue Pea. Certainly one of the best of the late introductions. Height of vine fifteen to eighteen inches. Pods of enormous size, borne nine to ten on a vine, and containing as many Peas in each pod. 20c. pt.; 35c., qt.

½ pt., 10c.; 1 pt. 20c.; 1 qt., 30c., except where noted.

If ordered by mail, add 8c. per pt., 15c. per qt., for postage.

## Pepper.

For varieties and descriptions, see Pepper, under Vegetable Plants.

## Pumpkin.

✓ **Yellow Cashaw.** Yellow, crooked neck, sixty to eighty pounds, best for pies.

## Salsify.

✓ **Sandwich Island.** A thicker, shorter root than the French.

## Radish.

✓ **Early Deep Scarlet.** About 22 days to maturity, a scarlet half-round form.

✓ **White Lady Finger.** Twenty-four days to maturity, quick growing, a long, slim White; a great favorite, the only good long early White.

✓ **Early Long Scarlet.** Improvement on the old Long Scarlet, being broader at top and not so long.

✓ **Early Long White Vienna.** Half long, white all over and very crisp.

✓ **White Strasburg.** Oblong, of a pure white color, and mild flavor.

✓ **Philadelphia White Box.** An early variety, very popular with market gardeners. Radishes grow one and a half inches in diameter, with pure paper-white skin; crisp, mild flesh.

✓ **White Chinese, or New Celestial.** (Stump-Rooted). Ready for use when 3 inches long, and delightful until 6 inches long; for finest winter Radishes sow in August. Flesh firm, crisp, solid, pure white, always tender.

✓ **Scarlet China Winter.** Half long stump, upper half scarlet, lower half pink, flesh white, quick in growth.

## Spinach.

✓ **Bloomsdale.** The best autumn sort, so superior that no other is comparable with it.

## Squash.

✓ **Early White Bush or Patty Pan.** The Cymbling, maturing 50 days from germination, flat; always white, young or old.

✓ **Golden Summer Crook Neck.** Maturing 40 days from germination, hooked form, yellow, warty, a bush.

## Tomato.

✓ For varieties and descriptions, see Tomato, under vegetable plants.

## Turnip.

✓ **Large Early Red-Top Globe.** Red crown, white bottom, round in shape, early.

✓ **Ruta Baga.** Purple top, flesh yellow, sweet, solid, fine grained.

All seeds are 5c. per paper, except where noted. Special prices on large quantities. We can supply all kinds of Farm Seeds.

## Nasturtiums.

**Tall and Dwarf.** Large flowers, finest mixed. 5c. and 10c. per pkt.

## Sweet Peas.

**Eckford's Gilt Edge Large Flowering Mixed.** New varieties.

5c. and 10c. per pkt.; 30c. ¼ lb.

We can supply all varieties of flowering seeds.

## Bulbs for Fall Planting.

(Ready in September.)

**Hyacinths, Single and Double, Red, White and Blue.**

**Tulips, single and Double, Superfine Mixed.**

**Harrisi (Easter) Lily.**

**Freesia, Refracta Alba.**

Prices on application.

## Grass Seeds, Etc.

**Mixed Lawn Grass.** Finest mixed; indispensable in producing fine lawn. 20c. per qt.

**White Dutch Clover.** (Extra re-cleaned). The best variety for fine lawns, 35c. per lb.

**Timothy.** (Extra re-cleaned). Extra choice stock. 15c. per qt.

**Slug Shot.** The greatest insecticide yet introduced; sure death to insects, potato bugs, cabbage fly and worm, and excellent for henneries, to kill lice on chickens. 5lb., 25c.

**Rimby's Lawn Enricher.** One of the best fertilizers for lawns, gardens, roses, flowers. 5 lb., 25c.; 100 lb., \$3.00. Try it.

**Rimby's Plant Food.** Specially prepared for house plants, to produce healthy plants and fine flowers. 15c. lb.; 2 lb. for 25c.



**Lawn Mowers.** Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Lawn Mowers. Send for list and lowest quotations.

**Tobacco Dust.** Excellent for killing green fly on roses, plants, etc. 5c. per qt.

**Jersey Peat.** For palms, etc. 5c. per qt.

**Leaf Mold.** Very useful for mixing with soils for begonias. 5c. per qt.

**Wood Ashes.** (Canada Unleached Hard wood.) These contain all the fertilizing elements except nitrogen. They drive away insects, and are indispensable for all crops requiring potash.

Apply about 1000 lbs. to the acre.

Per 100 lbs. \$1.50—barrel of 250 lbs. \$2.50—2000 lbs. \$18.00.

Special prices on quantity.

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## CONDENSED LIST

OF

## PLANTS AND BULBS.

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**Alternantheras.** 2 kinds, for edging. 5c.

**Anthericum Picturatum.** 10c.

**Azaleas.** Assorted. 75c. to \$1.50.

**Asparagus Plumosus.** 15c. to 25c.

**Araucaria Excelsa.** \$1.00 to \$2.50.

**Begonias.** Assorted. 10c. to 25c.

**Callas.** Half Dwarf. 25c.

**Cannas.** Assorted, in pots. 15c. to 20c.

**Carnations.** Assorted. 10c. ; 3 for 25c.

**Chrysanthemums.** Assorted. 10c.

**Coleus.** Assorted. 5c.

**Coreopsis Lanceolata.** Hardy, yellow flowers. 25c.

**Dahlias.** Assorted, fine. 20c.

**Ficus Elastic.** (Rubber Tree.) 50c. to \$1.50.

**Ferns.** Boston and Dwarf Sword. 15c. to \$1.00.

**Geraniums.** Assorted. 2½ in. pots. 7c. each.

“ Assorted. 3 in. pots. 10c. each.

“ Assorted. 4 in. pots. 15 c. to 20c. each.

“ (Lady Washington's) 20c. to 25c. each.

**Gladiolus.** Assorted. 25c. per doz.

**Hydrangea Pan. Grand.** Hardy. 50c. to \$1.50.

**Ivy.** Parlor. 5c. to 10c.

**Lobelias.** Blue. 5c.

**Moon Vines.** 15c. to 20c.

**Nasturtiums.** Dwarf and tall mixed. 5c.

**Palms.** 25c. to \$1.50.

**Pandanus Veitchi.** (Screw Pine). 75c. to \$2.00.

**Pansies.** In variety. 5c.

**Petunias.** Single, dwarf. 5c.

“ New Star. 10c.

**Phlox.** Assorted. 5c.

**Primrose** (Baby). fine for winter blooming. 10c. to 20c.

**Roses.** Finest assortment for out-door planting. White, yellow, red, pink and crimson. In April, in 3 in. pots 12c. each ; 10 for \$1.00—In May, 15c. each ; 10 for \$1.20.—In June, 20c. each ; 10 for \$1.50.

**Salvia.** (Scarlet Sage). 5c.

**Thunbergias.** (Black-Eyed Susan). 5c.

**Tuberose Bulbs.** Dwarf. 5c.

**Tradescantia.** 2 kinds. 5c.

**Vinca.** Variegated. 8c. to 15c.

**Verbena.** Assorted. 5c.

All plants at 5 cents are 50 cents per dozen.

## VEGETABLE PLANTS. (OUR SPECIALTY.)

Thrifty Plants, well rooted, grown from the BEST strains of SEEDS obtainable, which can be depended upon for purity and excellence, thoroughly hardened, true to name, freshly dug and packed to ship long distances, are advantages secured to those who patronize this department of our business. As regards prices, you will find they are as low as good, healthy, stocky plants can be grown for. If any one quotes them lower, quality being equal, we will meet the same price.

### Beets.

#### Ready May 1st.

✓ **Early Eclipse.** Intense red; rapid growth, best early.

6c. per doz.; 40c. per 100.

✓ **Blood Turnip** (Edmunds). Dark red, turnip shaped; best for winter.

6c. per doz.; 30c.; per 100.

### Cabbage.

#### Early, Transplanted—Ready April 1st.

To grow cabbage successfully, plant on rich soil, never in the same place 2 years in succession; cultivate often; use slug shot for worms.

✓ **Earliest.** pointed head; two weeks earlier than any other cabbage.

✓ **Jersey Wakefield.** Pointed and round; sure header, later than above.

✓ **Early Winningstadt.** An early variety of excellent quality.

✓ **All-Head Early.** The earliest of all large head cabbages. Heads are deep, flat, remarkably solid and uniform in color.

Price, 10c. per doz.; 65c per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

Not transplanted, 8c. per doz; 50c. per 100; \$3.50 per 1000.

#### Late Cabbage, Ready June 1st.

✓ **Large Late Flat Dutch.** Short stems, and large solid heads.

✓ **Sure Head.** A very reliable header, large, round, flattened heads of the flat Dutch type; a good keeper and shipper, exceedingly popular.

✓ **Short Stem Drumhead.** The plants are so dwarf that the heads appear to rest

on the surface of the soil. Heads extra hard and solid; uniform in size, and all mature at the same time. Heads large and of finest quality.

30c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

**Transplanted Plants** are far **superior** to seed bed plants, **stronger**, better **rooted** and produce **earlier**.

### Cauliflower.

#### Transplanted—Ready May 1st.

Plant in rich, moist soil, cultivate well and water freely in dry weather.

✓ **Early Snowball.** Very early and reliable header. 20c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.

### Celery.

#### Ready July 1st.

Celery needs rich ground and plenty of water in dry weather. Plant in shallow trenches, or on the level, 6 in. apart in the row, and the rows 3 ft. for dwarf, and 4 ft. apart for taller varieties. Hill up as the plants grow; never cover the heart. Celery is noted as an excellent nerve stimulant.

✓ **White Plume.** The best for early use; crisp, solid, nutty flavor.

✓ **Dwarf Golden Heart.** Heart large and full, of a golden yellow, excellent for either market or private use; solid, of excellent flavor, and keeps well.

✓ **Giant Pascal.** A superior keeping sort. The stalks are very large, thick, solid, crisp, and of rich nutty flavor.

✓ **Perfection Heartwell.** Magnificent, large, golden-yellow heart; of very superior quality; excellent winter market sort.

✓ **Schumacher.** Immense size; solid, crisp; firm, golden-yellow heart; a fine keeper; very popular in New York markets.

30c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

— **Winter Queen.** The best late celery, of superb quality and will keep longer than any other.

✓ **Fin de Siecle.** A white stalked variety of choice flavor. Highly recommended as a strong grower and fine winter keeper.

— **Michell's "Far Superior Many Heart."** We can especially recommend this variety to every grower of celery; its quality is superior to most other varieties, an excellent keeper over winter and produces plenty of heart which is now the most important point in celery.

— **Golden Self-blanching.** An early beautiful and in every way desirable sort, requiring but little labor to blanch. The heart is a rich golden-yellow, with light yellowish-green outer leaves.

35c. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

We grow **250,000 Celery Plants**, cultivated and topped, every year, and supply some of the leading seedsmen of Philadelphia with our plants. Special prices quoted on large orders.

## Egg Plants.

**Transplanted—Ready May 1st.**

Put a shovelful of well rotted manure in the place where you plant, and water in dry weather.

✓ **New York Improved Purple.** Large size and very productive.

25c. per doz.; \$1.75 per hundred.

## Lettuce.

**Ready April 1st.**

— **Michell's All Right.** Heads are very large and solid; very smooth.

6c. per doz.; 40c. per 100.

## Pepper.

✓ **Transplanted—Ready May 1st.**

✓ **Ruby King.** Finest large ruby-red pepper grown; very mild.

✓ **Golden Queen.** Fruits of large size and of a rich golden yellow; mild flavor. 18c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

— **Chinese Giant.** This new pepper has created quite a furore among truckers who grow for market. It grows to double the size of Ruby King, and is earlier in ripening. Plants vigorous, stocky and productive. Flesh very thick, mild and sweet. The best red pepper in cultivation.

20c. per doz.

## Sweet Potatoes.

**Ready May 15th.**

Our sweet Potato Plants are becoming well known for their healthy, stocky appearance, and the great productiveness of the plants. The seed used is of the very best strain obtainable.

Plant on ridges, 3½ ft. apart, and 15 in. to 18 in. apart in the rows. Keep vines loose. Take up before frost and store in barrels, in warm place.

**Yellow Nansemond,** 25c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

**Red Nansemond,** 30c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

## Tomatoes.

**Transplanted.**

**Ready about May 1st.**

Tomatoes do not want much manure, as it will make them grow into vine, and the quality of fruit will be lessened. Plant 4 ft. by 6 ft., for tall growing, and 3 ft. by 4 ft. for dwarf varieties.

✓ **Dwarf Golden Champion.** Beautiful lemon yellow color, very solid and of unusually fine flavor. Never before have we had a yellow Tomato that was so large and solid. 2c. each.

**Success.** "Success" is a magnificent new scarlet-fruited Tomato of finest quality, handsome appearance, large size, and immense productiveness. The fruit averaging three inches in diameter.

Color brightest scarlet; perfectly smooth and free from cracks; the interior is unusually meaty, having a very large and entirely solid center, but no hard or green core, being evenly ripened throughout. Seed-cells few and extremely small, with very few seeds.

✓ **Magnus (New).** An improvement on the old Acme and Beauty, which it resembles in color, being thicker, heavier and more solid than either. Fruit in clusters, ripening evenly and maturing quickly.

18c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100.

✓ **Matchless.** This is the standard main crop, bright-red variety, producing enormous crops of finest fruits. Tomatoes are large, deep through, smooth and uniform.

✓ **Enormous.** This is the largest smooth bright-red tomato yet produced. The tomatoes are usually round in form, four to five inches in diameter, thick through, and solidly meaty, with small seed-cells. The skin is smooth, highly colored, and free from cracks. Of strong growth and immensely productive.

✓ **Dwarf Aristocrat.** Color, beautiful rich glossy red, so much preferred by many to the purple sorts. In size, solidity, productiveness, smoothness and flavor it is up to the present high standard of excellence.

✓ **Trucker's Favorite.** One of the largest tomatoes grown. Color, purplish red, very solid, firm flesh, a good keeper, and not subject to rot or crack on the vines. An enormous cropper, and produces un-

til the vines are killed by frost. Quality the very best, and for cooking and slicing purposes it cannot be excelled.

15c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100; \$7.00 per 1000.

✓ **The Stone.** Fruit very large, bright scarlet, very smooth, ripening evenly to the stem without a crack; exceedingly solid and firm fleshed; one of the best.

12c. per doz.; 75c. per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

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THE BEST or nothing SUITS US.  
No inferior seeds or plants handled.

We want agents to sell our plants, etc., to whom a liberal commission will be paid.

To lower the cost of plants, etc., club together and buy in quantity.

We believe in liberal count. Try us.

We carry in stock many things not listed in our price list.

Send us a list of what you may need and we will return same, with price attached.

We will procure for our customers any seeds, plants, etc., not listed here, but quoted in other catalogues. Please mention the firm offering articles wanted, price of same, with amount enclosed, and we will attend to it promptly.

We can supply all implements for the garden, etc. Come and see, or write us, before ordering.

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## CUT FLOWERS.

We are prepared at all times to furnish **cut flowers** of the **choicest varieties** for all occasions, and will arrange them in the most artistic manner, on the **shortest notice**. **Cut Flowers or Designs for Funerals**, or other occasions, will be packed to carry safely by express. Orders by mail for the above will receive prompt attention.



